

St. Paul Lutheran School

3rd-5th Grade News

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

- **Thurs., Dec. 8**
2nd Quarter
Midterms
- **Thurs., Dec. 8**
Library
- **Mon., Dec. 12**
Toys for Tots
Donations
Deadline
- **Fri., Dec. 16**
Book Orders
Due
- **Tues., Dec. 20**
Christmas
Exchange
Gifts Due
- **Thurs., Dec. 22**
Christmas
Program
- **Dec. 23-Jan. 2**
No School
Christmas
Break

Hello Parents,

Welcome to December! It's hard to believe the Advent season is here and Christmas is just around the corner! Here's the latest from our class:

Memory: New memory schedules for December went home yesterday. Please note that from December 2nd through December 9th, we will be reciting a part of Luke 2 from the Christmas program. This memory will be completed as a class.

Math: In our 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade math, we have recently been exploring some online options to practice our math facts. These are a great resource to practice math skills at home, too: www.ixl.com, www.mathplayground.com, and www.cool-math.com.

3rd-4th Science: In science, we are continuing our exploration into matter, and the ways in which matter can be changed and manipulated. We have enjoyed exploring this through many labs. We have compared how fast refrigerated ketchup flows in comparison to room temperature ketchup. We also have manipulated materials such as chalk, clay, and paper clips to see how we can change these materials and determine whether or not this affects their mass.

3rd-5th Language Arts: In language arts, our classes have been learning all about adjectives. We explored a few games online to help us practice our identification and use of these adjectives as well: www.childrensuniversity.manchester.ac.uk/interactives/literacy/wordclasses/adjective_detective.swf and www.marks-english-school.com/games/basketball.html.

Christmas Exchange: This year for our Christmas gift exchange, each child is asked to bring a gift of no more than \$5 to exchange. (Boys will exchange with boys, and girls with girls.) Please plan to bring these gifts in by December 20th. (The guidelines are also attached.)

In Christ,
Miss Bernau